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Applicant: Masataka SASAKI, et al.

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**

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Title: PROTECTION CIRCUIT FOR POWER MANAGEMENT SEMICONDUCTOR
DEVICES AND POWER CONVERTER HAVING THE PROTECTION CIRCUIT

RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 9, 2007, having a three-month shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on April 9, 2007.

Please note that a response to the Office Action dated January 9, 2007 was previously filed by facsimile transmission on June 25, 2007. The facsimile transmission did not have a signature on the response, and did not have a signature on the petition for extension of time, and therefore may not be accepted by the Patent and Trademark Office. Therefore, we are submitting this Response with signatures in order to be certain that a response is accepted by the Patent and Trademark Office. A petition for a three month extension of time up to and including July 9, 2007 being filed concurrently herewith.